

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Technical Committee Meeting
(Special Session of the UCTC Policy Committee to Follow Immediately After)**

A G E N D A

**June 16, 2020
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

VIDEOCONFERENCE/CALL-IN INFORMATION

Dial-in number (US): (712) 775-7031

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Online meeting ID: 969-627-751

Join the online meeting: <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/969-627-751>

1. Technical Committee Call to Order – Welcome & Introductions (10:00am)

2. Call for Citizen Comments

3. Approval of the March 24, 2020 Technical Committee meeting summary

4. Communications and Announcements

5. New Business

a) Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-07: Distribution of Supplemental Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (Cares) Act in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.

Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-07 seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2020 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) supplemental Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA).

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law, providing emergency assistance to individuals, families, and businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act included \$25 billion in federal funding to help the nation's public transportation systems respond to the pandemic. On April 2, 2020, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) released its formula derived apportionments for FTA Section 5307, 5337, and 5340 CARES Act funding to urbanized areas: UZA 89 was apportioned a **total of \$83,440,191**. This amount was further apportioned based on an inter-state agreement between the States of New York and New Jersey, where New York would receive \$82,340,185 and New Jersey \$1,100,006. **Public transit system operators in Ulster County is eligible to receive \$1,547,185** through this distribution.

Using a methodology developed by NYSDOT, and with the three MPOs having considered the planning factors under 23 USC 135 (d)(1)(A-J), we have reached consensus on the sub-allocation of the FFY 2020 CARES Act Section 5307/5340 and 5337 funding apportioned to UZA89 (**see Attachment 1 on p.3**). These funds will support transit services within the three counties, and regional transit services as provided by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and inter-county bus operators. The agreed upon sub-allocation recognizes the commuter bus contribution made to UZA 89. Though actual project

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selection for the inter-county commuter bus operators will be determined through the respective MPO processes, we expect NYSDOT to exercise accountability on CARES funded expenditures for private commuter carriers.

A joint letter of agreement was drafted by the MHVTMA MPOs outlining the details of this sub-allocation of CARES funding in UZA 89 prior to resolution development; that letter will be circulated to Technical Committee members.

Recommended Action: Discuss Draft Resolution 2020-07 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee. (20 minutes).

b) Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-08: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.

Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-08 seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2020 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). This action is a routine occurrence that takes place after the FTA apportions 5307 funds to the TMA (UZA 89) and NY and NJ come to an agreement on a fair and rational sub-regional allocation. FTA Section 5307 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients; the OCTC and DCTC will approve similar resolutions. For FFY 2020, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive an allocation of \$541,075; \$2,700,341 is made available to Inter-County Commuter Bus Service Providers in Ulster County.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2020-08 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee. (20 minutes) (30 minutes).

c) Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-09: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.

Draft UCTC Resolution 2020-09 seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2020 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). These funds stem from federal authorizations to the TMA (UZA 89) under the Bus and Bus Facilities Program. FTA Section 5339 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation, prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients. The OCTC and DCTC must approve similar resolutions. For FFY 2020, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive a total of \$416,083 in FTA 5339 funds; a 20% local match is required.

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Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2020-09 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee. (20 minutes) (30 minutes).

6. Other/Old Business

- a) Project Updates
- b) UCTC 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan update
- c) Chairs DeFazio, Pallone, Neal Release \$760 Billion Framework to Make Transformative Infrastructure Investments Across U.S.

Technical Committee Adjourns; Policy Committee meeting will begin immediately following

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Special Session Immediately Following Technical Committee

1. Policy Committee Call to Order – Roll Call

2. Call for Citizen Comments

3. Approval of the April 28, 2020 Policy Committee meeting summary

4. Communications and Announcements

5. New Business

- a) **UCTC Resolution 2020-07: Distribution of Supplemental Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (Cares) Act in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.**

[refer to Technical Committee agenda for description]

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2020-07 and consider approval. (20 minutes).

- b) **UCTC Resolution 2020-08: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.**

[refer to Technical Committee agenda for description]

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2020-08 and consider approval. (20 minutes).

- c) **UCTC Resolution 2020-09: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.**

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Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2020-09 and consider approval. (20 minutes).

6. Other/Old Business

7. Adjourn